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Re Bureau teletype, 6-7-78. (u)

Two teams representing HSCA arrived in Mexico City during the period 5/28 - 31/78. The announced purpose was for one team to look into the Mexican aspects of the assassination of former President JOHN F. KENNEDY and the second would be doing the same thing with regard to the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING.

On 6-8-78, MEX-244 (u) advised that he had been approached for an interview by one of these teams. He was visited at his home on 5-25 - 26-78 by HONORIO HERNANDEZ ESCANDON, of the Federal Judicial Police, who asked him if he would participate in such an interview. After consulting with this office, the source agreed. (u)

On 5-31-78, he was interviewed in his home by GARY CORNWELL, HAROLD LEAP, EDWIN JUAN LOPEZ and "DANIEL" HARDWAY. They were accompanied by Cdte. FLORENTINO VENTURA, of the Federal Judicial Police (FJP), and two other FJP representatives. After the interview, the source agreed to participate in a second interview in which his remarks would be tape recorded. This was set for Saturday, 6-3-78, but he was not contacted on that date. (u)

On 6-5-78, he was visited by HERNANDEZ, Dr. ALFONSO OROZCO CONTRERAS and one member of the Committee staff, who may be LOPEZ, and served as interpreter during the earlier meeting. OROZCO was introduced as a "coordinator" of some department of the FJP. (u)

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The source stated that he had participated in a recorded interview which lasted about forty minutes. He was asked to look at two albums of photographs and was able to pick out a photograph which he believed to be LEE HARVEY OSWALD, even though it was not a particularly good likeness. (X)(u)

The HSCA representatives apparently had a verbatim account of information furnished by the source when he was first interviewed at the U. S. Embassy after the KENNEDY assassination. There were many details in this account which the source was no longer able to remember. He did remember bumping into a man leaving the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City in late September or early October, 1963. He can recall that this man was counting money and a few other details related to the experience. He has consistently stated that he believes this man was OSWALD. (X)(u)

The source said that HSCA representatives questioned him about the Spanish-speaking ability of those who interviewed him at the Embassy. They suggested that those conducting the interview might have misunderstood at least some of the information which the source was furnishing at that time. They asked whether the statement was read back to him and signed by him. He now is unable to recall, but believes it was not. He states that he did acknowledge that there might be a possibility that some of his information was misunderstood by those interviewing him at the time, but that he could not, after fifteen years, recall the details. (X)(u)

The Bureau will note that the Mexico City file pertaining to the source was not opened until 9-9-64, and Bureau authority to deal with him on a confidential basis was received in a letter dated 10-8-64. There was no relationship of any kind between the source and this office prior to 11-22-63 and no confidential relationship at the time he was first interviewed at the U. S. Embassy in Mexico City. (X)(u)

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MEX-24 was involved in some aspects of the JAMES EARL RAY investigation in the State of Jalisco, Mexico. That source has been alerted to the visit of the HSCA Team, but has reported no contact to date. (X)

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